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**REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 2431**

PATENT  
Attorney Docket No. 09947.0009

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
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Jun KITAHARA et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 2431
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Application No.: 10/578,859	)	Examiner: Michael R. VAUGHAN
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Filed: May 11, 2006	)	Confirmation No.: 3333
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For: LICENSE MANAGEMENT METHOD,	)	
INFORMATION PROCESSING	)	
APPARATUS, INFORMATION	)	
PROCESSING METHOD, AND	)	
PROGRAM	)	

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

In reply to the Final Office Action mailed October 22, 2009, the period for response extending through January 22, 2010, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, Applicants propose to amend this application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

**Remarks** follow the amendment section of this paper.